

MARKED UP VERSION OF AMENDED CLAIMS

4. (Amended) Process according to [any one of claims 1-3] claim 1, wherein the
5 water, which is poor in solids, is discharged from the upper part of the second vessel at a
position way from the outlet opening of the first conduit entering the second vessel.

6. (Amended) Process according to [any one of claims 1-5] claim 1, wherein the
ratio of volume of water, which is extracted from the second vessel, relative to the
10 volume of solid slag particles being transported to the second vessel in the same time
period is between about 0.7 and 1.5.

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9. (Amended) ~~Process according to [any one of claims 1-8] claim 1, wherein frsh~~
water is supplied to the second vessel during step (d) and/or (e) resulting in that the
15 second vessel contains fresh water before step (b) is performed.

10. (Amended) Process according to [any one of claims 1-9] claim 1, wherein
water poor in slag is discharged from the first vessel.